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1. The research department of Skoda for radar and rocket development is directed by Ing. Krekule, an old Skoda man. His deputy is [redacted] 50X1-HUM named Petr.
2. No production of radar or rocket equipment is being carried out; the department conducts only research.
3. The Skoda artillery foundry has received a demand from the USSR for 50 motorized 24-cm. guns similar to the former German model V 3.
4. Skoda Pilsen is now starting again to build a big electrotechnical factory in Doudlevec (LO4). The original estimated cost for this factory was 820 million crowns but work carried out has already come to 1,200 million crowns.
5. The new factory is designed for the production of the largest type of electro-motor turbogenerators. The production advisory committee is afraid of a shortage of necessary metals such as copper, but at the annual meeting, Berak, a left-orientated official, said that the necessary metals would be obtained from a state in the West which would be only too glad to supply these metals to Czechoslovakia.

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